Students and faculty march

Prof. Hatcher and Joe Barksdale part of Million Man March

By Joseph Barksdale
Contributor

The March on Washington was the most moving event that I have ever experienced. Afro-American men pilgrimaged to Washington D.C. to discuss their concerns, aspirations and the plight of our communities.

The March on Washington was not inspired by one particular leader but by the sense of urgency Afro-American men feel regarding our present condition. The March allowed people to come together and recognize their faults and failures so that we could make an atonement and start anew.

The March for me did not start on October 16, but the night before, at a conference of African-American Women. The Black Urban League of Women held a conference recognizing and supporting the Million Man March. Among the speakers were Maya Angelou and Rosa Parks. I listened in awe as Rosa Parks, who spearheaded the Civil Rights Movement and the Montgomery Bus Boycott, delivered a phenomenal speech. Afterwards, I got a chance to tell her in person the affect that she had on my life.

I then began to realized not only the importance for such a March but also its historical significance.

The day of the March I met African-American Men for all aspects of life. I met and talked with lawyers, doctors, professors, convicts, gang members all imaginalible types of people. One of the most memorable was a young man, a convict, from Philadelphia. He was among a group of ex-prisoners who had walked from Philadelphia to Washington D.C. He told me that he was there not only to make an atonement but also to stand proudly among a Million African-American Men.

There were over seventy speakers, each addressing important aspects of our communities. However, one of the most moving was a young man who expressed what the Million Man March meant to him.

I have a duty not only to myself, but to my community to help solve its problems. As my father and I left the Mall where the March was held, we began to understand the significance of what occurred. For me, I was touched by the sense of purpose from which we came and I was inspired by the unity in the way we left.

What I took from the March was a sense of inner peace that I have never felt before. For the first time the situations of African-American people in American did not seem as bleak. I knew that there were over a million people who left with a sense of renewal. It is our responsibility to help improve our communities and that is a duty not only to myself, but to my community to help solve its problems.

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Student groups to examine honor code

Three groups of students looking to see how the honor code can best be revised

By Tony Pearson
Staff Writer

Changes are in the works for the honor code. After the honor court met with Associate Dean David Vandercoy, three student groups were formed to re-evaluate parts of the honor code. As SBA president Renee George put it, they're "going to work on different sections of amending." One of the main goals for all of the groups will be to broaden student participation. One group is evaluating the honor code text and procedural issues. Another group is looking at the education of students regarding the honor code. The third group is looking into how Teaching Assistant groups can be integral in the honor code education process.

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Take time out to give a little back to Valpo

It is easy to get swept away by time. Time flies, as the old cliché goes. School, work and extra curricular activities often fill all of our time, leaving us with little spare time! 

Despite our busy lives, we must remember to take a time out every once in a while to give something back to the community. Since the season of Thanksgiving is rapidly approaching, now is as good of time as any to get out and volunteer some of your valuable time to help someone in need.

One might ask how to get involved. 

Local elections soon, don't forget to vote

It's said time and time again, every year, after year – get out and vote. It doesn't seem like it is that time of year. Now presidential candidates have really fired up a political campaign, except for some battling over a few primaries in parts of the country outside of the midwest. However, we do have an election going on right here in Valparaiso and Porter County.

Local elections are just as important as national elections. Local candidates probably have more influence over ones daily life than national politicians have.

Don't forget to get out and cast your ballot Nov. 7. Research the candidates, study their campaign platforms, and be prepared to select a candidate.

CONTRA MUNDUM
By Felix Sternfels

Earlier this month, the Barque of Peter, in the person of Pope John Paul II, docked on the shores of the United States for the sixth and likely the final time. While certainly no stranger to this land, the Pope remains a pilgrim trying to make progress in a country he has said is living in a "culture of death." You would think by now he would have given up, but if he did so, he could never cross the "threshold of hope." 

As anyone can see by the reception he receives, the Pope is no alienated man. Even the captain at the helm of that death culture warmly greets him. One can only wonder what the Pope is thinking each time Clinton puts on that Southern charn and shakes hands with the enemy. At least in many parts of Europe, the Pope knows he and his message are not welcome, and the people there act accordingly.

This is the only place in the world where the crowd loves the singer but hates his songs. In this case, however, the singer is beautiful. People are absolutely fascinated by a weathered old Pole who speaks their language, whatever it might be. The main thing that makes the Pope appealing, however, is that he speaks the truth, and he knows that is one thing that has been ingrained in man since Adam and Eve. While people have a hard time putting into practice that truth, he is there to challenge them, especially the young.

The young of this country have been sucked into a moral vacuum of relativity and want out. Everywhere they are bombarded by an anti-familial culture, being told if they get pregnant not to worry, because a "doctor" is now there to offer a quick "cure." If their parents are failing in health, the "nursing" home is there to see them through tough times. And let us not forget Uncle Sugar, who will be happy to lend a hand from womb to the tomb, laying all responsibilities at the public trough. It is no wonder the young turn out in droves for a glimpse of a little light in the darkness.

When the Pope left the country, after being seen by over one million people, he embarked with a sense of hope for this land. He encouraged us not to give up on the great "experiment," but an experiment underway with a sense of hope for this land. He encouraged us not to give up on the great "experiment," but an experiment underway with a sense of hope for this land. He encouraged us not to give up on the great "experiment," but an experiment underway with a sense of hope for this land. He encouraged us not to give up on the great "experiment," but an experiment underway with a sense of hope for this land. He encouraged us not to give up on the great "experiment," but an experiment underway with a sense of hope for this land. He encouraged us not to give up on the great "experiment," but an experiment underway with a sense of hope for this land. 

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To the Editor:

Did anyone else notice the hypocrisy of the individuals who, just two weeks ago, declared Mark Fuhrman's racist remarks sufficient to annul the credibility of the prosecution's most damning evidence against O.J. Simpson, but who now conveniently cast aside as "secondary" (quoting Rep. Donald Payne, D-N.J., head of the Congressional Black Caucus and Million Man March participant) the relevance of Louis Farrakhan's racist remarks to the credibility of the march he organized?

J. Brendan Regan

Thanks!

The members of Jus Vitae would like to thank everyone at VUSL for allowing us to share our thoughts and concerns during our information week Oct. 16-20.

Christine Cutter
Jus Vitae President

Nurse writes of abortion experience

By Michael DeBoer
Jus Vitae Contributor

Brenda Shafer, a registered nurse for 13 years, wrote a July 9 letter to Rep. Tony Hall, D-Ohio, describing the partial-birth abortions, also known as dilation and extraction (D & X), she witnessed while working on assignment for three days in September 1993 at a Dayton, Ohio, clinic operated by Martin Haskell, one of the best-known practitioners of this procedure. Shafer, who worked for a nursing agency, was pro-choice at the time. Here are excerpts from her letter to Hall, a cosponsor of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (H.R. 1833, S. 939).

Dear Congressman Hall:

I read in the paper that you have sponsored a bill in Congress to make a law against what you call partial-birth abortions. I encourage you to do everything you can to pass this law as soon as possible. I saw three of these partial-birth abortions up close in 1993. It was the most horrifying experience of my life (emphasis added).

It was one of those cases that especially haunts me. The woman was six months pregnant (26-1/2 weeks). A doctor told her that the baby had Down's Syndrome, and she decided to have an abortion. She came in the first two days to have the laminaria inserted and changed, and she cried the whole time. On the third day she came in to receive the partial-birth procedure. (Dr. Haskell called it "D & X," for dilation and extraction.)

Dr. Haskell brought the ultra sound in and hooked it up so that he could see the baby. On the ultrasound screen, I could see the heart beating. I asked Dr. Haskell, and he told me that "Yes, that is the heartbeat." As Dr. Haskell watched the baby on the ultrasound screen, he went in with forceps and grabbed the baby's legs and brought them down into the birth canal. Then he delivered the body and the arms, all the way up to the neck.

At this point, only the baby's head was still inside. The baby's body was moving. His little fingers were clasping together. He was kicking his feet. All the while his little head was still stuck inside. Dr. Haskell took a pair of scissors and inserted them into the back of the baby's head. Then he opened the scissors up. He then sucked the high-powered suction tube into the hole and sucked the baby's brains out. I almost threw up as I watched him do these things.

Next, Dr. Haskell delivered the baby's head, cut the umbilical cord and delivered the placenta. He threw the baby in a pan, along with the placenta and the instruments he'd used. I saw the baby move in the pan. I asked another nurse and she said it was just "reflexes."

The woman wanted to see her baby, so they cleaned up the baby and put it in a blanket and handed the baby to her. She cried the whole time, and she kept saying, "I'm sorry, please forgive me." I was crying, too. I couldn't take it. In all my professional years I had never experienced anything like this.

Another case I saw on that third day was a six-month-old (approximately 25 weeks) baby. The mother was over age 40. There was nothing wrong with this baby, she just didn't want it. The doctor used the same procedure, except he didn't use as much medicine to relax the lady as the first lady (who'd been very upset). This baby was also alive. I saw the heartbeat on the ultrasound. (Actually every baby that day still had a heartbeat at the time of the procedure.) This second baby was a little smaller than the first baby. I remember thinking how perfect this child was. This mother did not want to see it. The doctor didn't offer you this option, but if the mother insisted he let them see the baby. Otherwise he sent them back to a little room where another person examined them. A lab came and picked the babies up to dispose of them.

I also saw a third case that day. (I was only assisting in one operating room.) This was a 17-year-old girl. She was approximately 25 weeks. The same procedure was done on this baby. The Down's Syndrome baby was the only baby that had a defect. And that baby with Down's Syndrome had the most perfect, angelic face I have ever seen. I never realized how perfect these babies really are at this point. When you hear the word "fetus," I think a lot of people think as I did of just a blob of cells, or a mass of something. It was very revealing to me. I don't think about abortion the same way anymore. I still have nightmares about what I saw. Please pass your bill as soon as you can.

Sincerely,

Brenda Shafer, R.N.

From the pages of the ABA Journal

"Like the First Amendment, Article 35 of the Chinese Constitution guarantees the rights of free speech and assembly."

"However, 'another section of the constitution, Article 51, trumps the free-speech promise .... It provides that Chinese citizens in exercising their rights 'may not infringe upon the interests of the state, of society or of the collective.'"

Debra Cassens Moss, Constitutional Clash, ABA Journal, November 1995 at 42.
Graduation speakers, honor code changes
upcoming issues

REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

By Associate Dean Elizabeth Mandl
21st Faculty Representative

No general theme this time...just some information about things that are going on and that everyone should know about.

HONORARY DEGREE COMMITTEE

As a faculty representative, I was randomly assigned by the people upstairs to one of the faculty committees. When I learned that I was on the Honorary Degree committee, I didn't know exactly what it was all about, or what would be involved. Now that I know, "You Ought to Know!"

Each year at graduation the University awards a number of honorary degrees. The idea behind the honorary degree is to "honor ourselves by honoring the recipient." The law school generally seeks to recognize contributions significantly to the field of law. Recent past recipients have included the Honorable Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and the Honorable Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

All students and faculty are encouraged to submit names for consideration to our committee. Like any good bureaucracy however, the buck does not stop with us. After our committee has approved a candidate, there are still a number of steps to be jumped through. Step one is approval by the general faculty. Step two (and in my limited understanding the more difficult step) is approval by the University board. As you might imagine, the process is rather complex, and therefore potential candidates need to be recommended as soon as possible in order to get the bureaucratic machinery in motion.

At the present time the committee and the faculty have approved the following candidates:

1) Nelson Mandela - President of South Africa
2) Bishop Desmond Tutu
3) Mary Robinson - President of the Republic of Ireland
4) John Hume - Member of the English Parliament; has worked for peace between Ireland & England
5) John Noonan, Jr - Federal judge
6) Gerald Gunther - professor and constitutional scholar

It should be noted that committee and faculty approval do not guarantee that the folks over at that other campus will approve the candidate, nor does approval guarantee that the candidate will accept an offer to receive a degree from Valparaiso University. Additionally, because of the positions that some of the candidates hold and the hectic schedules that accompany those positions, there is no way of knowing whose graduation a particular candidate would appear at. For example, if Nelson Mandela is accepted by the University and accepts the offer, he may be able to make it for the Class of '96, or he may not be able to come until the Class of '97, or he may not be able to come at all.

Why am I telling you all of this? Because it is your class and your graduation that these people will appear and perhaps speak at, and you should have some input as to who you "honor yourselves by honoring." All of the current candidates have been recommended by either Dean Gaffney or another faculty member. All are excellent possibilities, but none were recommended by students because of the positions that some of the candidates hold and the hectic schedules involved. For example, if President Mandela is accepted by the University and accepts the offer, he may not be able to come until the Class of 1997, or he may have to come at a time when he is going to South Africa or England.

The idea behind the honorary degree is to "honor ourselves by honoring the recipient." I like to think that, but I can't because it is too soon weights or to measure a person to come to campus. After a year of being amazed at the caliber of individuals that have come to the school in the last year, I am firmly convinced that Dean Gaffney knows everyone who is anyone in the legal field...so think and recommend!!

HONOR CODE REVISIONS

Over the past couple of years, both students and faculty have expressed some dissatisfaction with the way our Honor Code is presented to incoming students and the way that it is administered when violations have been reported. Specifically, there is concern that nothing is done when a violation is reported because the current structure of the Code provides alleged violators with numerous opportunities to "plea bargain" without the results ever being known to the person who reported the violation or to the general student population.

In response to those concerns, the S.B.A. has set up several committees to deal with various aspects of the problem. We are working on three areas in particular:

1) Better presentation and explanation of the Code's purpose and function to incoming students in their first year.
2) Revising the actual Honor Code to eliminate some of the circularity and to involve students in the initial stages of proceedings in addition to providing feedback when a proceeding has taken place.
3) Re-evaluating our current final exam procedures with the possibility of abandoning the current on-your-honor non-proctored exams in favor of exams that are monitored by a member of the faculty or staff in order to eliminate some of the temptation to cheat.

As with the Honorary Degree committee, I welcome suggestions on this topic.

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Puzzle Created by Richard Silvestri

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1 Toy pistol amino acid (5)
2 Secret agent (5)
3 Attack (5)
4 A heap (5)
5 Knocked (5)
6 Algerian port (5)
7 Atlantis segment (5)
8 Mary Richards' best friend (5)
9 Star Wars princess (5)
10 Paint at the dinner table? (5)
11 Tangled to the Tin Man (5)
12 Sneaking a look (5)
13 The College Widow's author (5)
14 - you so? (5)
15 Pocket bread (5)
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4 Punter's toot (5)
5 Educated folks (5)
6 One of the (5)
7 Small singer (5)
8 Reading (5)
9 Wallet items (5)
10 Unkept (5)
11 Desperately urgent (5)
12 Connecticut key (5)
13 Be at odds (5)
14 Eyewitness (5)
15 Sign a check (5)
16 Gun the motor (5)
17 Hammel (5)
18 Sunday (5)
19 Topping (5)
20 Small combo (5)
21 Sweetheart of the '70's (5)
22 Cari's nephew (5)
23 Plate of land (5)
24 Cash supply (5)
25 Friday request (5)
26 Aigun (5)
27 Distal ending (5)
28 Recess (5)
29 Likes to be with boy (5)
30 Weights or girl (5)

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Religious art on display

**VU News Report**

Holy Images: A selection of Religious Art from the Anderson University and the Valparaiso University Collection is on display now through Nov. 17 in Valparaiso University's Mueller Hall Commons.

"In the history of North America images have almost always been an important part of Protestant no less than Roman Catholic religious life," said David Morgan, chair of VU's art department. Viewers of the exhibit can see different types of religious images. Many have lasted over the years and they reflect on the power of images in the practice of faith.

The collection includes many famous works by Warner Sallman like the Head of Christ, and The Lord is My Shepherd. These paintings are familiar to many people because of their use with teaching Sunday School, Confirmation class, Bible study and home devotions.

**VU’s Handbell Choir to perform concert at Chapel on Nov. 4th**

VU News Report

The Valparaiso University Handbell Choir of the Chapel of the Resurrection will perform a concert on Sunday, Nov. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in the VU Center for the Arts. The group, conducted by Jeffery Doebler, will have as special guests VU’s Herald Trumpets.

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THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

By Renee S. George

SBA President

SBA and DTP plan service projects

Some more fun and exciting news from the desk of Renee S. George. Welcome to November every one! I hope all of you enjoyed the month of October and took advantage of the many activities that took place, because November is crunch time (I don’t mean to scare anyone). But, don’t forget, Thanksgiving break is on its way.

Talking about Thanksgiving, S.B.A. and DTP are doing a couple of community service activities that all of you could help with when you go home for Thanksgiving. The first activity is sponsored by S.B.A. and DTP which we’ve called “The Wishing Tree.” How this activity works is there will be a Christmas tree set up in the Atrium decorated with stars with a child’s name on it. Whomever would like to participate can take a star off the tree and buy a gift for someone from the sponsoring groups and we will let you know what that child has wished to receive for Christmas. As a participant, you will be responsible to buy your child the gift he/she has wished for. We’re getting the children’s names through the Salvation Army and they usually distribute the gifts themselves that people have collected for needy children.

What we are hoping to do is hold a Christmas party for the kids here at the law school and give them their gifts at that time. The second community service activity is sponsored by S.B.A. alone, and what we are going to do is sponsor a needy family for Christmas. So, if you find any old or unused scarves, gloves, clothing or canned goods at home over Thanksgiving, bring them back to school for our needy family. When we have collected everything for our family, the S.B.A. Administrative board, along with anyone else who is interested, will be delivering the goods directly to the family. The final community service activity is sponsored by DTP. This is their scavenger hunt which the organization has promoted on their bulletin board. So, for those of you who signed up to participate, the scavenger hunt takes place tonight (Thursday, November 2) at 7:00 pm at St. Terese’s. Have Fun! Remember, keep your eyes and ears open for info on these other community service activities that will be taking place this month.

For those of you who will not be able to go home for Thanksgiving dinner, the law school staff will be providing a wonderful dinner with turkey and all the fixin’s on November 20. You need to buy your tickets for this dinner on Friday, November 17, in order to eat at the first seating at 12:00 noon. If you don’t buy your ticket on this date you will have to eat at the later seating. Go out a lot of turkey.

Hey 3Ls, just wanted to remind you that the MPRE is coming up fast. The date for this test is Friday, November 10, at 12:30. Don’t forget to bring the card that was sent to you in the mail when you registered for the MPRE and to also attach a picture of yourself for identification purposes. I’ve heard that you can go to campus security to have your picture taken for $2-$3. For those of you who are BarBQ members, the MPRE review course is Saturday, November 4, in Tabor. Come around 8:45 am to get a seat and the class will start promptly at 9:00 am and will go until 4:30 pm.

Thanks to all who helped out with the Halloween party last Thursday. A good time was had by all at the Eagles lodge as people attempted to figure out who was behind the mask or all the makeup. I especially want to thank Paul Stanz and Paula Rossi for planning and setting up this successful event. Also I want to thank Jill McCarthy and the other members of MELC for gathering up interesting items and services from professors to auction off. The auction raised over $1000 and everyone had a fun time bidding against one another.

For those of you who have been asking about the Student Senate cards and when they will be available, I just wanted you to know that I have assigned an executive board member to talk to the administrator on the campus to clear up this annoying problem. Signs will be posted when they come in to tell you where to pick them up.

That’s all for now. Until the next issue of the Forum—Think Thanksgiving Break.

Next Forum deadline: Nov. 9

Drop off in The Forum’s mailbox in the SBA office, locker #302, or send by email forum@wesemann.law.valpo.edu
A million black men march on Washington, D.C.

By Richard G. Hatcher
Professor of Law

A story is told about a man who was almost hit by a fast-moving truck. As he was brushing himself off, someone asked, "are you all right?" He soberly replied, "I'm just glad to be here."

Like that gentleman, I was just glad to be in Washington, D.C. for the Million Man March.

October 16, 1995 was another watershed day for Black America, and for the nation in general. Many had predicted disaster. The news media suggested that not many people would show up. Others predicted disruption and violence as a natural consequence of bringing such a large number of Black Men together in one place. Both groups were disappointed.

The struggle for equality, justice and parity has been marked by a single event in each of the last three decades. During the Sixties, it was the great March on Washington (Summer 1963) led by our fallen giant, Dr. Martin Luther King, in the 1970's, it was the National Black Political Convention in Gary (spring 1972), convened by the unlikely triumvirate of Congressman Charles Diggs, Poet, Nationalist and Playwright, Imiri Baraka and Richard Gordon Hatcher, then Mayor of Gary; in the 1980's, thanks to the destructive and regressive efforts of the Reagan/Bush Administrations, African Americans were forced to retrace and regroup. Nevertheless, they were encouraged and inspired by the two historical Campaigns for President by the Reverend Jesse Jackson (1984 and 1988).

Let there be no doubt that the Million Man March, led by Minister Louis Farrakhan will be the enduring symbol and defining event of the nineties for Black Americans.

The 1963 March on Washington produced the 1964 Civil Rights Act and the 1972 National Black Political Convention. Each of these events helped "clear the thicket" and moved our nation a little closer to the goal of "equality and justice for all."

I am certain that the 1995 Million Man March will make its contribution to this ongoing struggle for freedom, equality and justice for Black America. (And so far as I know, there has not been a single report of a missing hub cap!)
By Jim Holecek
Sportswriter

A law school halloween

If it wasn’t the grim reaper, it might have been the professors carving pumpkins that sent shivers up one’s spine. Halloween at VUSL -- always scary, but always fun!

Sports

College football Top 25: This system sucks!

The reason that this is happening occurred last year when then #1 Penn State played an unranked Indiana team. Toward the end of the 4th quarter Penn State was up 21 points. Joe Paterno pulled his starter letting some 2nd team kids and Penn State’s version of Rudy (a four year walk on) in the game. This squad gave up 2 meaningless touchdowns. Those who watched the game saw Penn State beat the hell out of Indiana. But the voters only saw the score. Joe Paterno did the right thing by taking the 1st string off the field. His good deed cost him. #1 Penn State lost a rank to #2 Nebraska because they didn’t blow IU out.

This year could be dubbed “The Year of the Blow-Out.” #3 Florida and Steve Spurrier Bobby Bowden and other noted coaches have taken the blow-out to an all new low. This week against Georgia Florida was blown out, ending Spurrier’s season. #3 Florida lost a rank to #2 Nebraska because they didn’t blow IU out.

The “Blow-Out” may be the future of football.

By the way someone commented to me that the Big Ten is a poor football conference. This person stated that they’re just not fun to watch and they don’t score enough. Granted Ohio State is not U of Va. Rich but they did score 56 points in the first half (you’re right-not very exciting at all).

The Forum

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Photograph by Christopher Hedges

Photograph by Kimberly Streem

West Campus Extra
Interview questions

By Gail Peisel
Director of Career Services

The types of questions you ask in an interview can significantly impact on an employer’s impression of you. In Career Services, we provide lists of sample questions, but the lists are not meant to be followed exactly. Your questions should not sound as if they areurgently vetoing the city in a sample interview questions are one aspect of the job search that is within your control and should be analyzed as part of the question pack. There are at least three scenarios for using questions to your advantage:

1. Early in the interview, you can ask questions that quickly make clear that you expect a successful candidate to possess. Listen to the information and then carefully feed it back as you address their questions.

2. Intersperse your questions throughout the interview. This has a two-fold effect. It provides some measure of control and transforms the “interview” into “conversation” and the employer views you more equally and perhaps begins to envision you as a future colleague.

3. A crucial time is the “call for questions” at the end of an interview when a positive impression can be enhanced and a lukewarm impression can be converted. A number of interviewers have commented positively on people who have asked thoughtful and thought-provoking questions.

Read all the available printed materials on an employer, talk with recent graduates who are associates or are practicing in the city where the job is, and perhaps begin to envision yourself as a job candidate. Lexis to research the types of cases in which the employer has been involved, and be prepared to discuss the results of your research.

Job interviewers have commented positively on those who take the time to research the employer create a favorable impression. The questions that they ask make the monotonous out of the interview, and make their interview more memorable.

Developing questions that are a cut above average definitely takes time but asking questions that can be answered in a positive manner and cause an interviewer to pause and make a result in may result in a positive evaluation.

Career Opportunities

Interview questions

By Gail Peisel
Director of Career Services

The types of questions you ask in an interview can significantly impact on an employer’s impression of you. In Career Services, we provide lists of sample questions, but the lists are not meant to be followed exactly. Your questions should not sound as if they areurgently vetoing the city in a sample interview questions are one aspect of the job search that is within your control and should be analyzed as part of the question pack. There are at least three scenarios for using questions to your advantage:

1. Early in the interview, you can ask questions that quickly make clear that you expect a successful candidate to possess. Listen to the information and then carefully feed it back as you address their questions.

2. Intersperse your questions throughout the interview. This has a two-fold effect. It provides some measure of control and transforms the “interview” into “conversation” and the employer views you more equally and perhaps begins to envision you as a future colleague.

3. A crucial time is the “call for questions” at the end of an interview when a positive impression can be enhanced and a lukewarm impression can be converted. A number of interviewers have commented positively on people who have asked thoughtful and thought-provoking questions.

Read all the available printed materials on an employer, talk with recent graduates who are associates or are practicing in the city where the job is, and perhaps begin to envision yourself as a job candidate. Lexis to research the types of cases in which the employer has been involved, and be prepared to discuss the results of your research.

Job interviewers have commented positively on those who take the time to research the employer create a favorable impression. The questions that they ask make the monotonous out of the interview, and make their interview more memorable.

Developing questions that are a cut above average definitely takes time but asking questions that can be answered in a positive manner and cause an interviewer to pause and make a result in may result in a positive evaluation.
Health Law Assoc. plans career panel discussion

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The Health Law Association will be hosting a panel discussion about careers in health law. The panel will convene today at 4 p.m. in the Tabor Auditorium at the law school and is scheduled to last until 6 p.m.

Featured speakers include:
- Gene Diamond, J.D. who is president and CEO of St. Margaret Mercy Health Care Centers in Lake County, Indiana.
- Andrew Levenfeld, J.D. who is a health law specialist with Andrew W. Levenfeld & Associates in Chicago.
- Earle F. Hites, J.D. who is also a health law specialist at Hodges & Davis in Portage.
- Christine White, M.S.W. who works for community health nursing at Indiana University South Bend.

Barrister's to be held in Merrillville

Students approve location in SBA survey

By Gary Shupe
News Editor

Law Week is probably the furthest thing from most students' minds right now, but SBA is already making plans for the event scheduled to take place February 12 through the 17, 1996. The pinnacle of Law Week is Barrister's Ball, which will once again be held at the Radisson Star in Merrillville. SBA Vice-President Bridgett Repay recently polled the student body concerning where this year's Ball should be located. Students, who were asked to choose between the Radisson Star and the Hyatt in Chicago, overwhelmingly chose to have the Ball again in Merrillville. Bridgett said students voiced concerns mainly involving cost and safety in making their choice. Tentatively, Bridgett believes Barrister's Ball will cost $25 per ticket, an increase over last year's price of $20. However, West Bar Review has expressed some interest in sponsoring part of the night, which may help to defray the student costs. Currently, approximately $15,000 has been budgeted for Barrister's Ball. SBA has also reserved a block of rooms at the Radisson for those wishing to stay the night. Because the rooms are being held in a block, students will be offered a special rate but must make reservations by January 24, 1996.

Copyright proposal

Forum News Report

Electronic transmissions would be covered under existing copyright laws, under a White House proposal.
Family is the basic institution of humanity, says Wilhelmsen

By Gary Shope
News Editor

On Thursday, October 19th, Jus Vitae and the Intercollegiate Studies Institute sponsored guest lecturer Dr. Frederick Wilhelmsen. For his topic, Dr. Wilhelmsen chose to speak on the family and its role in government and society today. Dr. Wilhelmsen, author of no less than 15 books and 250 articles, earned a Master's degree at Notre Dame and a Doctorate from the University of Madrid of Spain. Currently, he is a professor of both Philosophy and Political Science at the University of Dallas, though he has taught in six different countries. A Pro-Life activist since 1970, Dr. Wilhelmsen participated as a leader of the first Operation Rescue. During his speech Dr. Wilhelmsen remarked on the central role of the family in democratic countries, and commented that the family had no role in political life today. This, he maintained, was demonstrated by democratic societies' adherence to the "one, man, one vote" philosophy. The self-described political philosopher claimed that the government does little more than "pay lip service to families." He said, "Talk of family values if fine, but nothing changes until the role of the family gains political teeth." Dr. Wilhelmsen remarked in concluding his speech, "The question is not can the family find a role in society today, but can the family exist at all."

Norton explains color trademark registration

By Andrew Hartman
IPLA contributor

In January of 1995 the Supreme Court handed down a decision that provides trademark owners with protection of the colors they utilize in creating product identity. In a unanimous decision, Qualitex v. Jacobson, 115 S. Ct. 1300 (1995), the Court held that, upon a showing of "secondary meaning" being associated with the color in relation to the product or service, a trademark owner could essentially monopolize the use of a color in marketing its product. Prior to the Qualitex decision, the Federal Circuit Courts were split as to whether color alone, without being incorporated into a design or symbol, could be protected by the Lanham Act, the body of law governing trademarks. For example, the Seventh Circuit denied NutraSweet protection of its blue-colored table sugar packets, while the Federal Circuit allowed protection to Owens-Corning Fiberglas for its pink-colored insulation. The issue was ripe for determination by the Supreme Court.

On October 24th at VUSL, intellectual property attorney Nanette Norton spoke to law students about the trademarking of color and its implications. Norton was the first of a series of intellectual property lectures planned by the Intellectual Property Law Association. Norton worked in Chicago and the Second and Third Year lecture on trademarks.

"It appears that the Court refused to decide that issue," Norton says. "It is conceivable that the PTO will have to change its method of registry for colors because the existing registry system simply did not contemplate such a unique trademark quality like color. Perhaps the legislature could create a new Lanham Act section applicable specifically to colors." Norton also suggests that this law would have changed many of the cases coming before Qualitex. "NutraSweet was pretty upset before but if they had brought their case today, I think they would have had a positive decision." The Intellectual Property Law Association plans to bring speakers to the law school to discuss both copyright and patent law sometime in the year ahead.

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Top 10 ways to procrastinate at Valpo

By Malini Goel and Marianne Manheim Contributors

Editor's note: This is the result of a survey Malini and Marianne took of the JL class.

1. "Verifying the quality of the types of wine that I learn in Contracts."
2. "Rewriting the Model Penal Code to the Model Penis Code."
3. "I hide the library materials."
4. "Dreaming of ways to kill my roommate's annoying dog."
5. "I enjoy watching stock car racing on TNN (The Nashville Network) while eating a snack of fried pork rinds and chocolate yoo-hoo."
6. "Calling friends in real cities and finding out what people with real lives are doing."
7. "Dreaming of Gaffney."
8. "Trying to figure out who the professor will be calling on instead of doing the assignment."
9. "Doing chores around the house and shopping at Walmart."
10. "Remembering the good ol' days when sex was good and frequent."

Congratulations to the author of #1. Your prize consists of 5 lifetime memberships to The Arthur Murray Dance Studio!

Congrats #2! As a consolation prize, you will receive a lifetime supply of condoms.

That's all folks! Stay tuned for our next article in the following edition of The Forum. Special Note: To the one who wrote, "Thinking of Malini Goel..." I happily accept dinner invitations!!

Any comments, suggestions, or contributions for the column? If so, drop them in locker #123 or #248. Ciao for now -- Marianne and Malini.

P.S. Marianne's birthday was Oct. 24!

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ing of our lives together. Although it presents itself as a fair and balanced approach to the conflict by allowing the greatest amount of freedom, it proves, on further analysis, to be an unsatisfactory solution to the problem. Instead, the pro-life position provides a better solution, allowing the greatest amount of freedom without threatening the supreme value of life and violating the civil rights of the unborn. It is the pro-life view that most faithfully reflects the traditional liberal view that "One person's freedom ends where another's nose begins."